

**ABSTRACT**

Systems and methods insert an expandable  
body in a collapsed configuration into a space  
defined between cortical bone surfaces. The space  
5 can, e.g., comprise a fracture or an intervertebral  
space. The systems and methods cause expansion of  
the expandable body within the space, thereby  
pushing apart the cortical bone surfaces to, e.g.,  
reduce the fracture or push apart adjacent vertebral  
10 bodies as part of a therapeutic procedure.

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